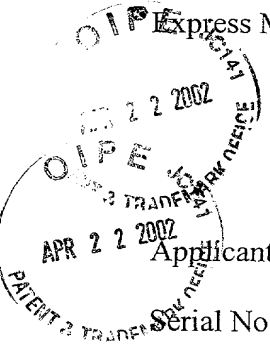


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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND IN RESPONSE TO THE
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Remarks

In response to the Notice of Omitted Item(s) In a Nonprovisional Application (copy enclosed) of **Attorney Docket No.: GE-120432, Application No.: 10/056,596** dated **February 22, 2002**, enclosed are Eight (8) sheets of amended drawings.

The drawings have been amended to include new Figures 2, 3, and 4 illustrating method steps as described in the specification. Furthermore, previously filed drawings sheets 1-5 have been amended to appropriately renumber previously filed drawing sheets 1-5, according to the addition of new Figures 2, 3, and 4. Applicants respectfully request approval of Figures 2, 3, and 4. The method steps illustrated in Figures 2, 3, and 4 are described in the specification. Therefore, no new matter has been entered. In addition, applicants respectfully request approval of the indicated drawing changes to previously filed drawing sheets 1-5. Submitted herewith is a Request for Approval of Drawing Changes.

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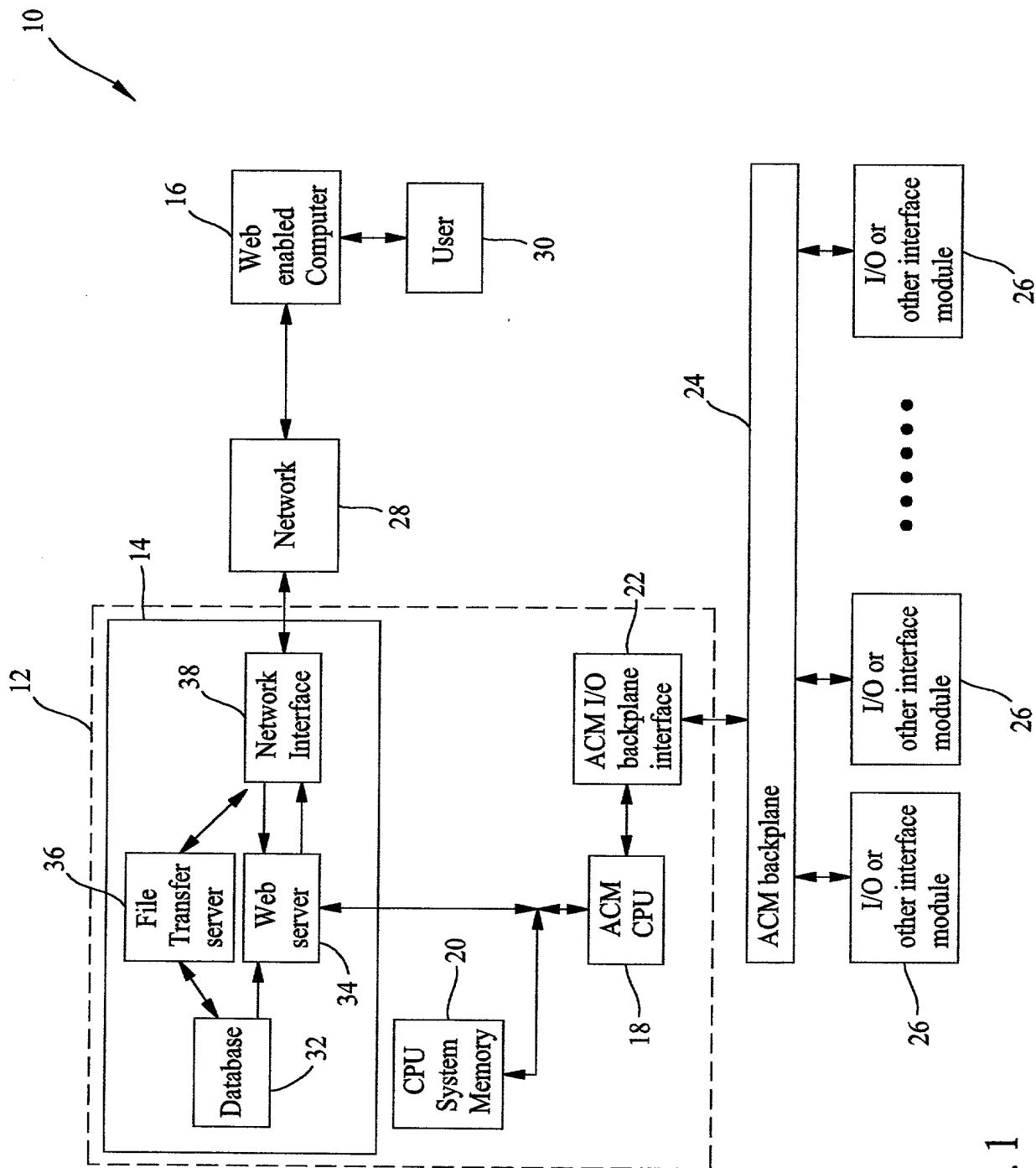


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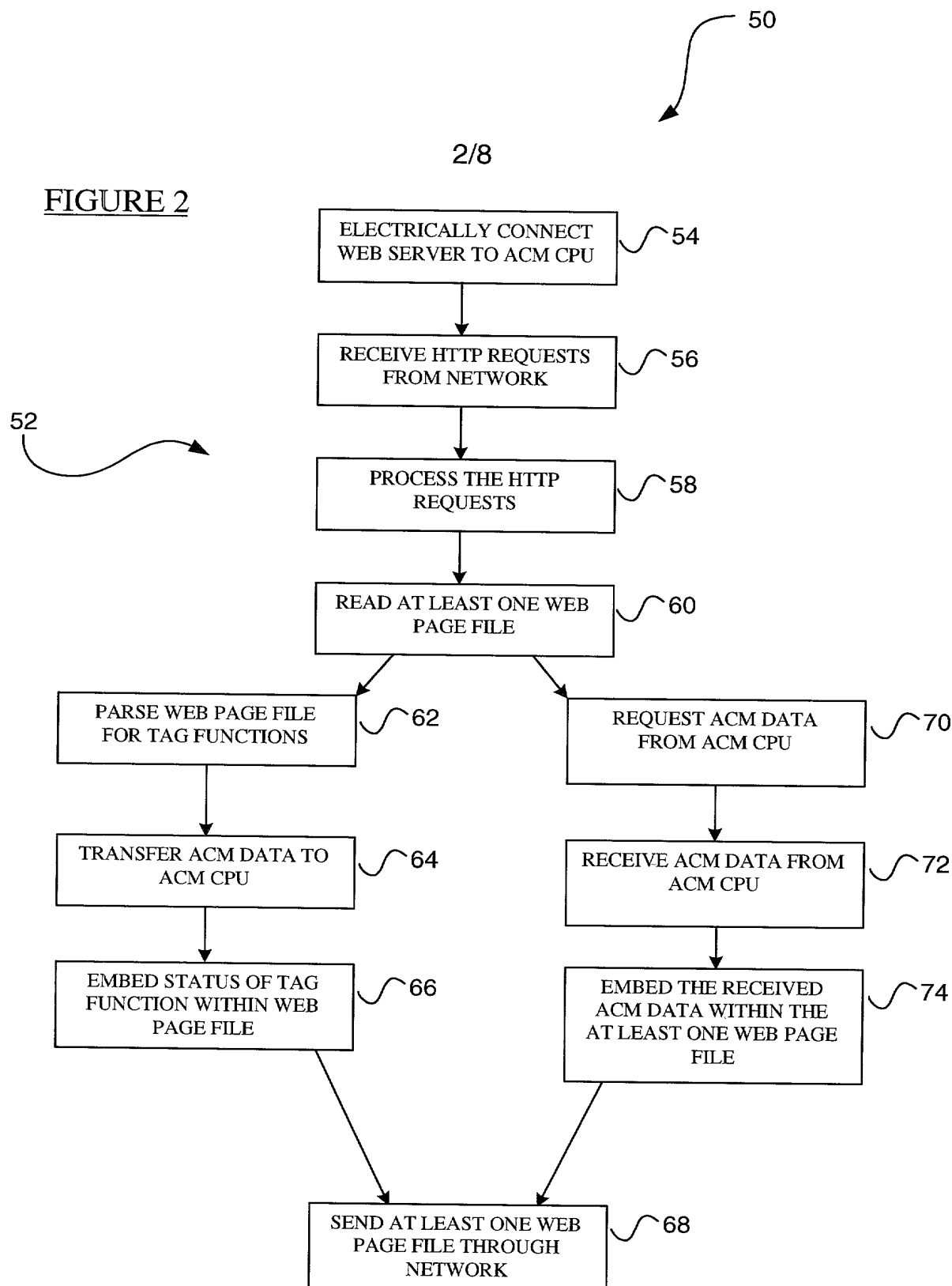
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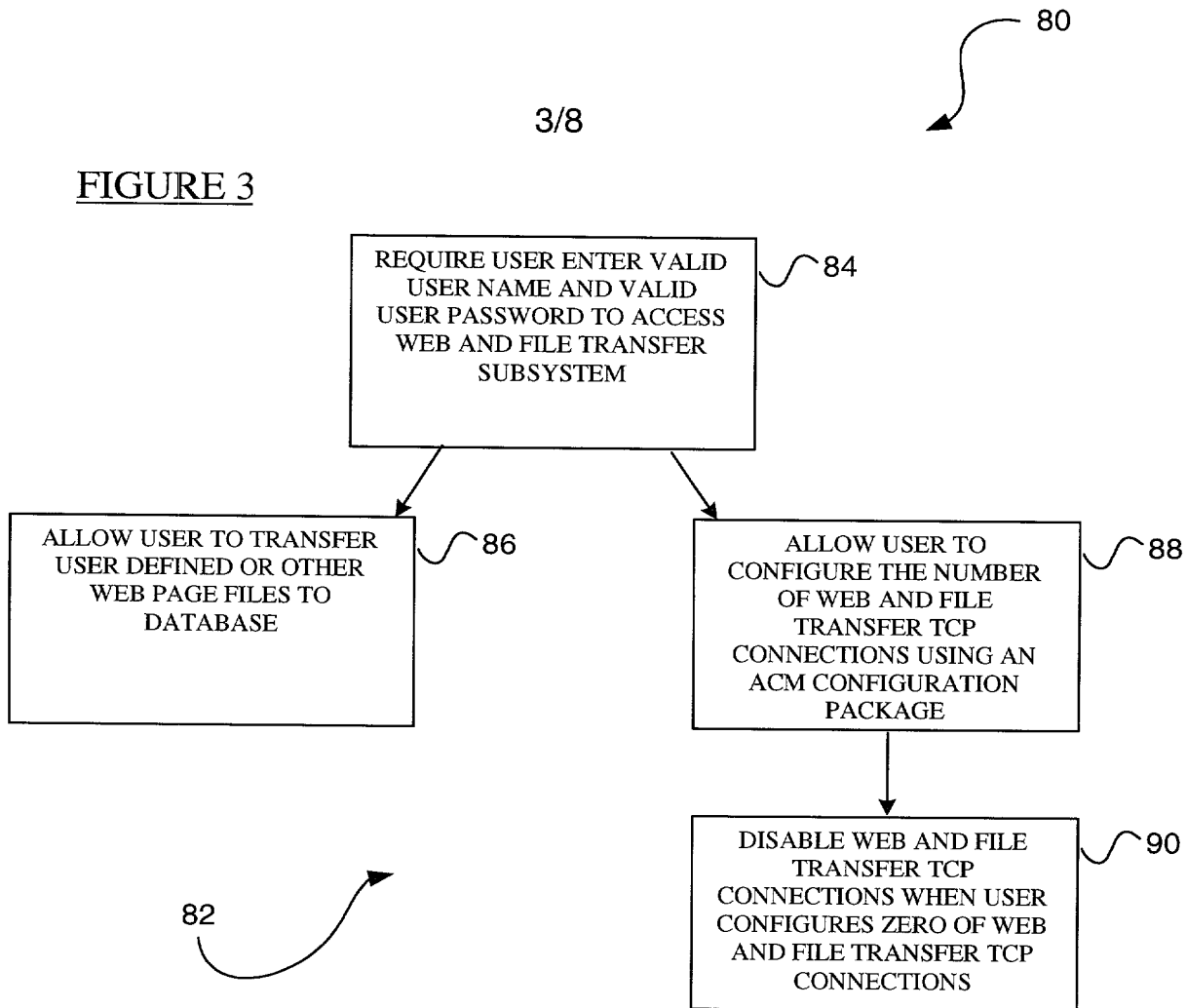
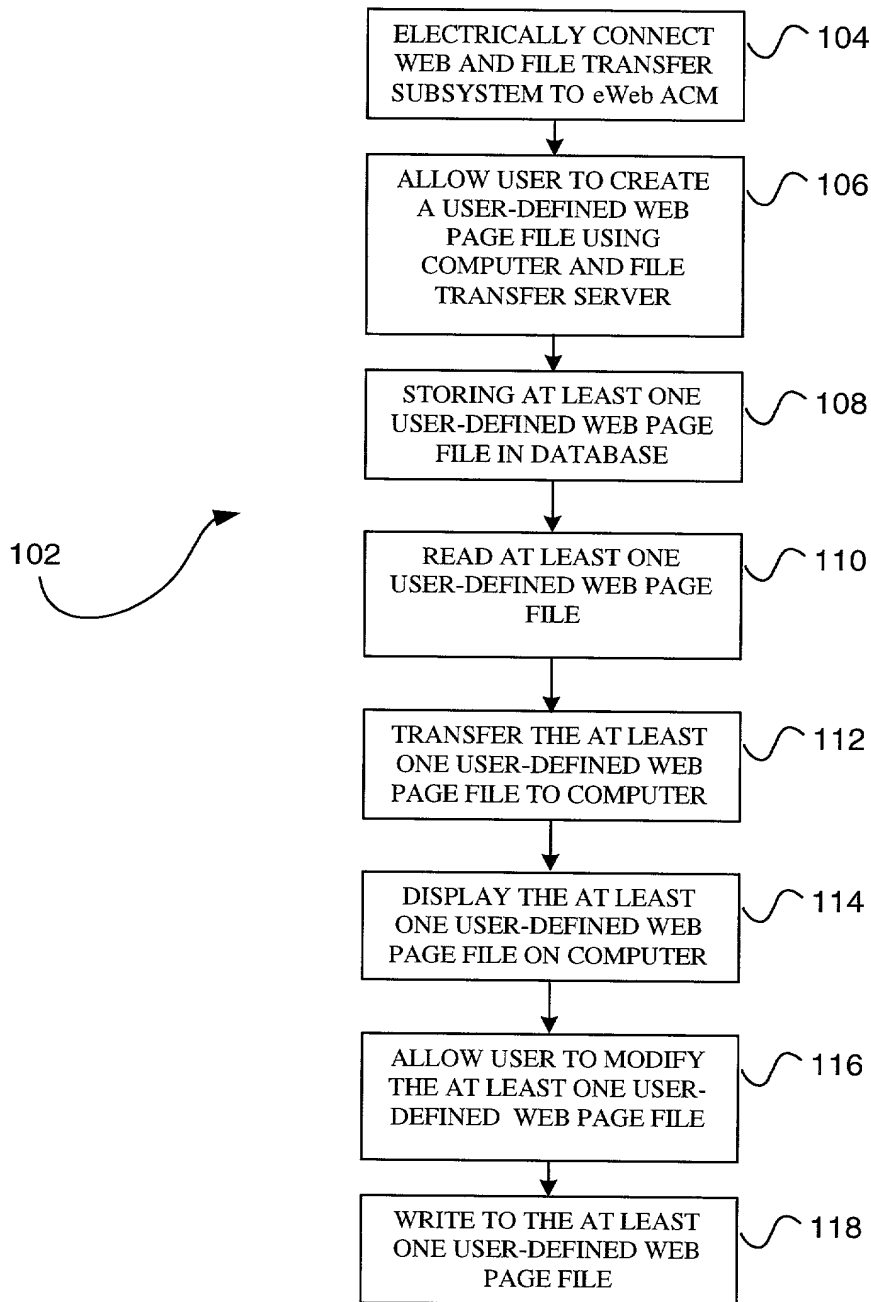


FIGURE 4

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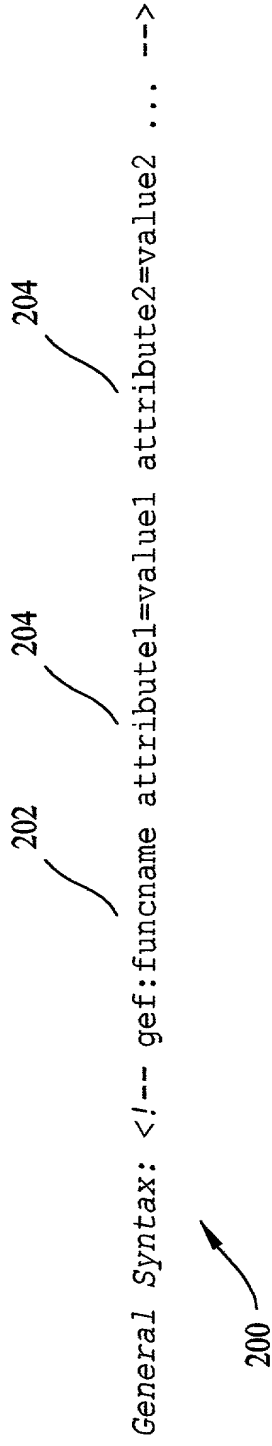


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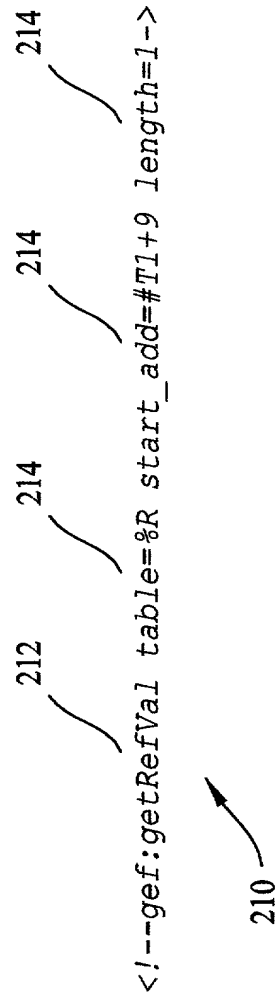


FIG. 6

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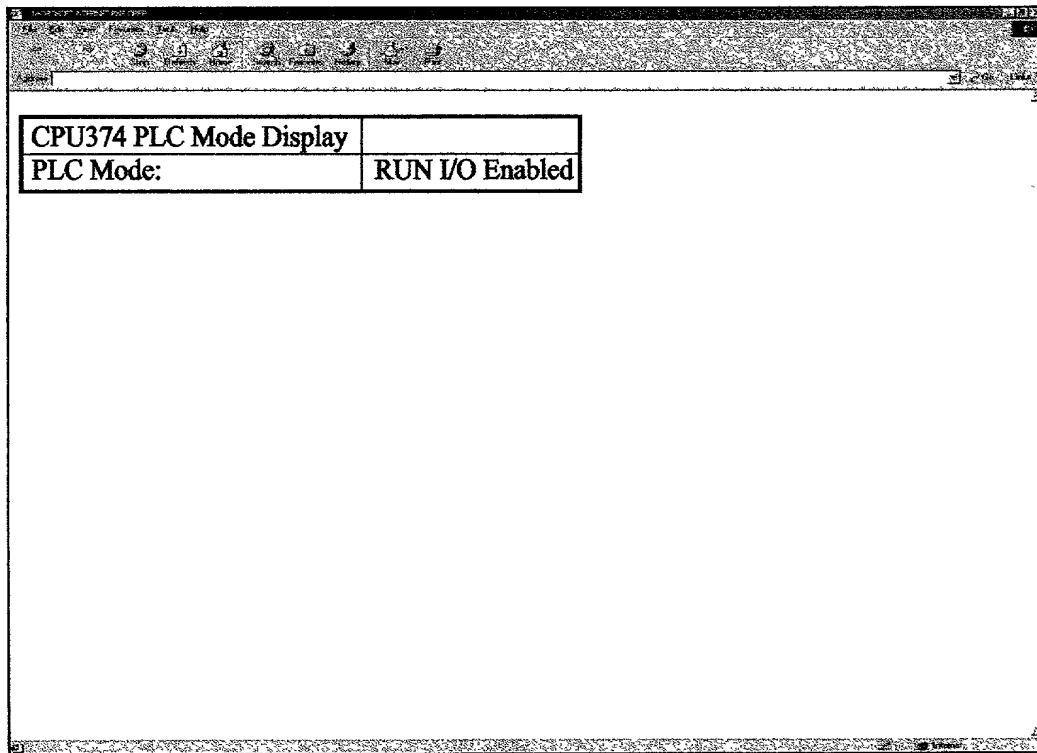


FIG. 7

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<html>
<head>
<title> CPU374 PLC Mode </title>
</head>
<body>
<table border="1" >
  <tr>
    <td ><b>CPU374 PLC Mode Display</b></td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td >PLC Mode:</td>
    <td ><!-- gef:plcMode --></td>
  </tr>
</table>
</body>
</html>
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FIG. 8

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</head>
<body>
<table border="1" >
  <tr>
    <td ><b>CPU374 PLC Mode Display</b></td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td >PLC Mode:</td>
    <td >Run I/O Enabled</td>
  </tr>
</table>
</body>
</html>
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FIG. 9

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<html>

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<title>CPU374 PLC Mode </title>

</head>

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<script>

<!-- hide me

var PLC_mode = "<!-- gef:plcMode -->"

// stop hiding -->

</script>

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<td >CPU374 PLC Mode Display</td>

</tr>

<tr>

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document.write(PLC_mode);

document.write("</td>");

// stop hiding -->

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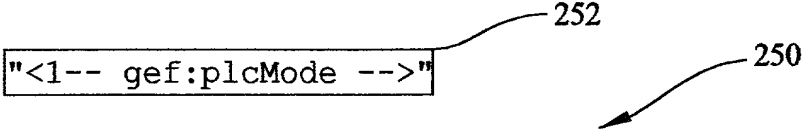


FIG. 10